

Minutes

FREMONT SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Friday, October 17, 2014

9:30 – 11:00 am

Fremont Senior Center – Wing A

40086 Paseo Padre Parkway

Fremont CA 94538

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Churchill, Chair at 9:31 am.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Berndt, Churchill, Creveling, Desai, Helton, Hobbs, Kimberlin, Mirchandani, Rhodes-Jones, Thomas & Walsh

Absent:

Excused: Commissioners Vaidya & Yamasaki

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The salute to the flag was led by Commissioner Churchill

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2014

- The minutes were corrected with the following: Commissioner Vaidya was present not absent. Commissioner Walsh abstained from the vote for accepting the June 20, 2014 minutes.
- Commissioner Hobbs made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with the corrections that were made. Commissioner Creveling seconded the motion.
- Commissioner Desai abstained from the vote

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5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- No oral communication

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- No written communication

7. OLD BUSINESS

- No old business

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Dementia Care Center Micheal Pope, CEO of Alzheimer's

Services of the East Bay

- Micheal Pope shared the history of the Dementia Care Center that is opening at the Dominican Sister's campus. The new program is a partnership with ASEB and the Sisters and will benefit the whole community. Micheal gave an overview of services to be offered at the center including the adult day program and specialized programs for individuals in the early stages of dementia. The agency also has programs that target the caregivers of those who care for a loved one with dementia.
- Micheal introduced Alison Weeks, the social worker for the center. Alison is available to assist anyone who is interested in attending the program.
- Following Micheal's presentation, the floor was opened up for questions and answers.

8.2 Meeting Between Fremont, Newark & Union City Commissions

Commissioner Denise Churchill, Chair

- Commissioner Churchill shared with the commissioners how she has attended commission meetings for both Newark & Union City. She has been in contact with their chairs about joining Fremont's Senior Commission.
- The commissioners all agreed that this would be a good idea and it was decided to invite them to the January 16, 2015 meeting.
- Commissioner Churchill will be contacting the other commissions and asking them to discuss what 3(three) things are working well and what is 1(one) challenge.

8.3 Appointment of Commissioner to attend Builders Fund Meetings

Commissioner Denise Churchill, Chair

BACKGROUND: The Builders Fund (A Non-Profit Corporation) was organized in 1985 to raise funds to be used for, but not limited to, expenses of the Senior Centre such as equipment, programs, and services. The Builders Fund Board meets once each month on the 4th Monday of the month (no meeting in December) to conduct the business of the Fund (Wing A, Street Side – 9:30 am). There is also a General meeting of the Builders Fund Organization each year in February.

The Senior Commission has a representative that attends the meetings and reports back to the Commission twice a year (March and September) to what is happening with the Builders Fund. Presently there are no Commissioners attending these meetings.

Senior Commission Chair, Commissioner Churchill, appointed Commissioner Jaya Mirchandani to fill this position.

8.4 Senior Center Crab Feed – Karen Grimsich, Administrator AFS

BACKGROUND: For the last 7 years the Senior Center has held their crab feed (which is their main fund raiser) at Merrill Gardens/Emeritus on Country Drive.

This year Friday, February 20 will be the 8th Annual Crab Feed and it has been decided that this year the event will be held at the Senior Center.

9. COMMISSION REPORTS

9.1 Health Issues – Commissioner Helton

- Commissioner Helton shared that it was the 25th anniversary of the 1989 earthquake. She shared information on how to be prepared for emergencies.

9.2 Senior Legislation – Commissioner Thomas

- Commissioner Thomas shared information about Presumptive Claims.

9.3 Paratransit – Commissioner Creveling

- Commissioner Creveling had no report since there has not been a meeting.

10. COMMISSION REFERRALS

None

11. STAFF REPORTS

11.1 Aging and Family Services – Karen Grimsich, Administrator AFS

- Karen shared that Commissioner Yamasaki had sent her a request for an agenda item concerning having light, reflective paint in pedestrian areas. Karen shared that we will have a speaker attend our November meeting to discuss this request.

11.2 Senior Center – Lynn Hood, Senior Office Secretary

- Lynn shared information on upcoming events at the Senior Center.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.